

COTTON CHATS

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HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS



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The 375,939 Northrop Looms

of our last Cotton Chats are distributed in the United States
and Canada as follows:

202,875 Northrop Looms

in Southern States.

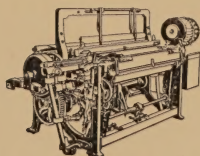
166,104 Northrop Looms

in New England, Middle and Western States and

6,960 Northrop Looms

in Canada.

The Southern States are equipped with more than
one half and South Carolina alone with more than one
quarter of the entire number.



Classified by States the list is

NEW ENGLAND STATES

Connecticut	8,359	
Maine	21,031	
Massachusetts	71,458	
New Hampshire	23,350	
Rhode Island	24,165	
Vermont	1,459	
		149,822

MIDDLE AND WESTERN STATES

Arkansas	133	
California	364	
Illinois	23	
Indiana	921	
Michigan	1	
Minnesota	52	
Missouri	742	
New Jersey	2,003	
New York	9,936	
Ohio	4	
Oklahoma	64	
Pennsylvania	2,039	16,282
		166,104

SOUTHERN STATES

Alabama	14,148	
Georgia	39,222	
Kentucky	387	
Louisiana	1,314	
Maryland	134	
Mississippi	1,981	
North Carolina	33,539	
South Carolina	95,801	
Tennessee	4,776	
Texas	1,497	
Virginia	10,076	202,875

Canada	6,960	6,960
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HAMMERED

BY TRADITION

Probably there is no big industry in the world so hammered by tradition, as the textile industry. Every new invention that has finally become as necessary as the mill buildings themselves, was bitterly fought and even today there are plants seriously lacking in these new labor-saving and production increasing inventions, simply because the original or former owners made good with the old stuff.

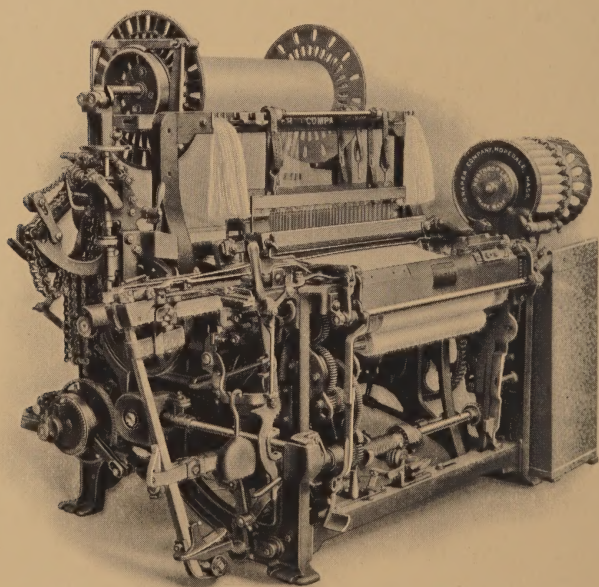
Then we come to the human equation. We find men in charge of mills or departments who fight anything new, because they have always made good with the old equipment and ideas and will see nothing good in the new. It is these men who are fast being retired and replaced by men of broader vision and an ambition to do something better than "father did," and with rare exceptions it is the men and mills with the most modern equipment and ideas that are making good against all competition.

There is much worry and talk where plain coarse goods are produced in the north over southern competition and there is good reason for it. The south is wide awake, seeking all that is new to increase and improve its production. It runs automatic

looms and man for man it is an even bet that the southern mill hand is equal to, if not better, than the average.

The men with vision are the coming men in our industry. The men hide-bound with tradition are on the slide unless they change front and adopt the new ideas that are imperative for the supremacy of the textile industry in New England.

The above, reproduced by permission from a recent editorial in FIBRE AND FABRIC, calls attention to conditions which are as true today as they were in the days of Cartwright.



Northrop Towel Loom

